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## Housing problems welcome returning students

by Kevin Ryan  
Staff Writer

Fourteen female Loyola students returning from various study abroad programs and four female international students arrived at Loyola College for the Spring 2000 semester without Loyola housing. Until Student Life locates empty spaces on campus, these 18 women will live in housing provided by the College of Notre Dame.

"Student Life and the women staying at Notre Dame share the same mission: find Loyola housing for them as soon as possible," said Joseph Behan, director of Student Life. Saying, "We came up short on women's spaces ... there was more demand for women's housing than we had estimated," Behan expressed his apologies at the inconvenience. When asked when Loyola expected on-campus housing to be found, he added, "Not this week ... but I am pretty confident that some spaces will open up."

The Office of Student Life is working in conjunction with resident and desk assistants across campus to pinpoint possible housing options. These include spaces from students who may have paid their housing deposit but did not return to Loyola, or students who were removed from campus housing due to late semester disciplinary action. Identifying those students and their respective rooms is the Office's priority as the first week of the semester closes. According to the office, it is difficult on occasion to find available rooms.

Behan also said that the Office of Student Life is extra sensitive to escort issues. Noting that the Campus Police received the names of the Loyola students residing at Notre Dame, he assured that they will be given "priority to get back and forth," until on-campus housing can be found.

This situation involves many unforeseen difficulties, on part of both the students and Loyola College. Problems that were only discovered once the female students moved into the Notre Dame dormitories include phone service, laundry, and meals, because Notre Dame is not equipped to

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## Students receive Service Leadership Fellowships Four students awarded \$8,000 each for volunteer work

by Cristina Daechille  
Staff Writer

Recently four students involved in the Service Leadership Program at Loyola were awarded \$8,000 each towards this year's tuition. The Service Leadership Program, which began in the spring semester of '99, was created with the goal of providing a challenging academic experience for students interested in service. The program focuses primarily on issues of social justice and the importance of volunteer work in a community, and instills in students a commitment to God and to a life of service to others.

"Each of the four students [who received a fellowship] epitomize the ideals that we seek in the program," says Dr. Sandra Gooding, director of the Service Learning Program at Loyola. During the summer, Gooding submitted a proposal for the Service Learning budget, in which she suggested a large

sum be given to the department to use for student fellowships. Her request was granted, and the department received \$32,000.

In November, Gooding and other faculty members made the Service

to be a leader in service?" The most heavily weighed requirement was the essay, which was submitted anonymously to faculty members unaffiliated with the Service Learning Department. Grade point

*"...the four students [who received a fellowship] epitomize the ideals that we seek in the program ... to formally develop men and women for others, leaders in the Jesuit tradition, leaders as St. Ignatius envisioned leaders."*

**Dr. Sandra Gooding,  
Director, Service Learning Program**

Leadership students aware of the fact that fellowships were being offered. Each student was asked to submit a letter of recommendation from a faculty member aware of their fall semester service activities, a letter from a community director who could verify their commitment to volunteering, and an essay that answered the following question: "What does it mean

average was not a factor in the decisions of the committee, essentially because, according to Gooding, the program "while academically rigorous ... is meant to formally develop men and women for others, leaders in the Jesuit tradition, leaders as St. Ignatius envisioned leaders. A GPA would not reflect that in any way."

The top four students were cho-

sen by the committee to receive \$8,000 each. These students are Victoria Lavelly, Kevin Kmiec, Matt Hill and Laurie Davis. Lavelly, a freshman at Loyola, volunteers regularly with the St. Ambrose Outreach Society, an extension of the St. Vincent DePaul Society. The group works with high-risk children, and participates in activities with them in order to keep them off the streets. She believes that in being "a positive influence, a mentor" to the children, she is helping them to believe in themselves and in each other.

Regarding the program, Lavelly stated, "I was introduced to people who helped me redefine what a leader is, people who introduced me to service opportunities on campus. That was one of the main reasons I came to Loyola: all of the service they do here."

Kmiec, Class of '01, volunteers at an organization called Care-A-Van, which hands out sandwiches,

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## For Sellinger, Donnelly, completion draws near

by Stacy Malvil  
Staff Writer

The long-awaited Sellinger Hall and Donnelly Science Center addition opened to students on Jan. 18.

Touted by the Sellinger School of Business as an "award-winning" building, Sellinger Hall boasts high technology classrooms that have student laptop connections at each desk. No room seats more than 50 students.

Kermit Keeling, an Associate Professor of Accounting, commented, "I like the use of technology in the classroom; it is set up to help me use the comput-

ers. I also like having my office in Sellinger so I don't have to go outside to teach in this bad weather." Most interviewees agreed with Keeling.

Steven Spahn, S.J., Adjunct Professor of Political Science, said, "The new Sellinger building is an impressive structure. It provides much-needed office space and is a fabulous addition to Loyola."

Many Biology Department profes-

sors have moved their offices to the new Donnelly Science addition, which looks something like a mall, leaving more room potentially available for student groups and research.

Most students seemed to appreciate the openness of both Sellinger Hall and the Donnelly Science addition. After preparing a lab in the new addition, Barry Johnson '01 commented, "I like the size of these rooms. We're going to have lots more room to work

than before."

Similarly, Amy Jakubowski '02, said of Sellinger Hall, "The big openness of the building is nice and the computers in every classroom is an added bonus."

However, neither building is

flawless or completely finished with construction. On the first day of classes, the sound of drills could be heard distinctly outside basement classroom doors, as construction workers mixed with students and attempted to finish their loudest projects between classes.

In the new Donnelly Science addition, the gas was turned off by Baltimore Gas and Electric employees, as they attempted to fix a minor leak on

Jan. 20.

In addition, many of the "wet labs" in the extension are carpeted.

Both Maryland Hall and Donnelly Science Center will undergo renumbering in the near future, so that floors are continuous.

For instance, currently the third floor of the new Donnelly Science addition joins to the fourth floor of the old building, a problem which kept many students from finding their class-

rooms.

Tom Procida '02 commented, "Overall, I feel the building is technologically advanced, but it does have a few flaws. The seats are very uncomfortable and the building doesn't look quite finished, but otherwise it looks great on campus."

Most students and professors agreed that the new buildings' flaws were few and would disappear as time wore on.

## Lack of snow day disappoints many



Despite snowfall of nearly six inches, students headed to class (until the 4 p.m. closing) on Thursday, Jan. 19. Loyola was the only school in the area other than The Johns Hopkins University to hold day classes.



## COMMUNITY

## Campus Police Blotter

*Selected excerpts from reports*

by Megan Mechak  
News Editor

### Fire Alarm

Saturday, Dec. 4, 1999

A false alarm on the eighth floor of Guilford Towers was attributed to unknown students removing the pull station cover. A number of similar incidents were reported throughout the evening.

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1999

A false alarm was reported in Middle Courtyard, as the thermal detector reported a fire in the first floor kitchen but Campus Police checks revealed no such problem.

### Theft

Monday, Dec. 6, 1999

A College employee used a three-foot "water ram" from the plumber's shop, but could not find the equipment to return it.

A student parked in the Gardens Lot reported his West Side Convenience Parking pass stolen from his left rear bumper.

After leaving her Evergreen card in the laundry room, a student reported it stolen.

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1999

A student Evergreen card was reported stolen from a Wynnewood West apartment.

### Suspicious Persons

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1999

Two men were seen looking into the windows of cars parked on Cold Spring Lane.

A student reported a man with mostly gray hair walking from Charleston to Wynnewood wearing plaid shorts, black socks, and a nearly transparent yellow windbreaker.

### Abuse of Privileges

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1999

A Cadillac was parked in a two-hour parking area for nearly three hours when it was towed for abuse of privileges. This was the vehicle's eighth such violation.

### Vandalism/Destruction of Property

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1999

A four-inch stone was thrown through the windshield of a student's vehicle parked on Millbrook Road.

### Sick/Injured Student

Saturday, Dec. 4, 1999

A visiting student was found in a fetal position in a Wynnewood Towers apartment, where he had apparently been lying for over three hours, barely breathing and covered in vomit.

Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1999

A student was bitten on the hand by a stray cat.

## On-Campus Datebook

*Events for the college community*

Tuesday, Jan. 25

Men's Basketball vs. Stony Brook, Reitz Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 26

Service Fair, TBA, 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, Jan. 27

EvenSong, Alumni Chapel, 5 p.m.

Meet Your Mentor Reception, Cohn 33, 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 28

Men's Basketball vs. Marist, Reitz Arena, 7:30 p.m. (MAAC game).

Multicultural Diversity Retreat.

Saturday, Jan. 29

50th Annual Bull & Oyster Roast - Andrew White Student Center, 7 p.m.

Fine Arts Career Day, TBA, 11 a.m.

Multicultural Diversity Retreat.

Sunday, Jan. 30

Beans and Bread Sunday.

Protestant Worship Service, Alumni Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

"Medical Aspects of Chemical Dependency," CL 02B, 8:30 p.m.

Multicultural Diversity Retreat.

Monday, Jan. 31

Women's Basketball vs. Rider, Reitz Arena, 7 p.m. (MAAC game).

Please send your datebook entries to [rnowlin@loyola.edu](mailto:rnowlin@loyola.edu). The Greyhound cannot be held responsible for publishing on-campus events that do not go through this process.

## Correction

In our Dec. 7, 1999 issue, we incorrectly reported that the Athletic Department would be assessing fees for the new athletic facility at Boumi through Recreational Sports. Recreational Sports will be assessing the fees; however, the two departments are not affiliated. The Greyhound regrets the error.

## Spring Shuttle Schedule

The new Compass Route, for faster service, begins Jan. 18, 2000 and ends May 13, 2000 at 8:00 p.m. It will run Mon., Tues., Wed. 7:00 p.m. through midnight and Thurs., Fri., Sat., Sun. 5:00 p.m. through 3:00 a.m.

Compass Route Schedule, Spring 2000.

| Location                            | Leaving After the Hour |       |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-------|
| Boumi Bus Shelter                   | 00:00                  | 30:00 |
| Charles Street Bus Stop             | 03:00                  | 33:00 |
| Wynnewood East Tower Front Bus Stop | 04:31                  | 34:31 |
| Boumi Bus Shelter                   | 08:20                  | 38:20 |
| Charles Street Bus Stop             | 11:25                  | 41:20 |
| *behind Maryland Hall               | 13:10                  | 43:10 |
| *Boulder Café                       | 14:20                  | 44:20 |
| *Physical Plant                     | 15:25                  | 45:25 |
| Butler-Hammerman Hall               | 17:00                  | 47:00 |
| *Boulder Café                       | 17:40                  | 47:40 |
| York Road Bus Stop                  | 22:15                  | 52:15 |
| Boumi Bus Shelter                   | 28:15                  | 58:15 |

\*On-demand stops only, passengers must inform driver to stop or be at location for pick-up. There is no service at these locations when school is closed.

\*\*The shuttle to the Cathedral becomes on-demand after 10:00 p.m. Mon. through Thurs. and after 8:00 p.m. on Fri. The driver should be informed if a stop is needed after these times.

\*\*Students are reminded to take advantage of the new Boumi Bus Shelter.

\*\*The North Entrance to the York Road Lot is now One Way, entering the lot, only for safety reasons.

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## NEWS

## Service Learning encourages Jesuit ideal

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hot chocolate and other necessities to the homeless in front of Baltimore City Hall. He recently returned from Project Mexico, which he says impacted him powerfully. He believes one of the reasons he got so much out of Project Mexico is all of the work he has done with the Service Leadership Program. "My work with the class helps me focus on how my service can be strengthened with reflection. I'm a very reflective person in the first place, but opening lines of communication in the class opened our eyes to minority struggles, social injustice and stereotypes I never even knew we had," said Kmiec. He went on to say that the class as a whole sincerely helped him in "adjusting his thinking process."

The third fellowship winner, Davis, is a sophomore finance major. Her outlook on the program is a bit different from the others. "Being a finance major," she said, "I wanted to do something in the community after I graduate. The program helped me realize that you didn't need to be a doctor or a teacher to do something. There need to be people to get the money for organizations and to aid in business aspects of volunteerism."

Davis volunteers with an after

school program called the SouthWest Mercy Alliance. She works with a young girl each week tutoring her and spending time with her in the afternoons. "I learned as much from her, I think, as she learned from me," reported Davis.

The final fellowship winner, Hill is also a member of the Class of '02. Hill is the student coordinator of T.A.P. (The After School Program), a branch of Beans and Bread. The organization volunteers with children ages four to 12 once a week. Hill is one of the people in charge of planning activities and recreation for the children. According to Sister Missy Gugerty, S.S.N.D., Hill "jumped in with service activities at the very beginning and has kept at them ever since."

The fellowships are meant to "recognize students who are committed to the Jesuit vision at Loyola and to reward them for their outstanding level of commitment to others," says Gooding.

Unfortunately, she cannot be certain that the department will receive money for the fellowships again next year. Said Gooding, "I really want to thank the school for their outstanding support of the Service Leadership Program, as we try to deepen it and make it more committed to the Jesuit vision at

## Housing shortage unresolved

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handle Evergreen cards. Behan expressed gratitude towards Notre Dame's staff for its assistance until the situation is resolved.

The scope of the housing problem is not confined to the students staying at Notre Dame. Other students returning from studying abroad have found themselves living in less than ideal circumstances. Alonna Segars '00 returned to find that Student Life had not given her a room on campus, although she had been assured otherwise. Her current residence is in a Wynnewood suite with four freshmen. Segars said, "The housing people just have not been that helpful."

Amanda Bertrand '01 returned from her semester in Australia to find housing much more difficult to obtain than she had been told before leaving. She claimed her group had been told that it would be a matter of "picking a place."

However, Bertrand was forced to rely on friends to find her housing when she learned nearly twice the number of people went to Australia than in previous years.

Although Bertrand now lives in Wynnewood, attempting to find housing was much more work than she had anticipated.

## Agnostic Retreat to be held next month

by Gregory Hartley, S.J.  
Special to the Greyhound

During last year's Agnostics' Retreat, lasting friendships began developing. I myself met two faculty members and several students who very much helped me "move in" to Loyola, especially since it was my first year at the College. Michelle Burke '02 met faculty members Diana Samet and Christine Higgins, and out of their friendship they formed a *Poetry Project*

which met twice a month in the Jesuit residence. The *Poetry Project* in turn sponsored a day

trip to Washington, D.C. and an evening at a Baltimore jazz club.

The idea of a retreat for agnostics puzzles some people. What we do is slip away from campus for a couple of nights in order to compare worlds, to compare experiences and visions of what matters in our lives. We speak about what is on our minds and in our hearts, about the mystery of our life, about how we steer ourselves through this sometimes perilous existence, about life in college, and about

how we face the unknown. These questions do not arise only for religious people. Artists and writers often have a keen interest in them; psychology, sociology, philosophy, theology, history ... all the major studies, done in-depth, converge on some of life's basic questions. We live in a culture that does not usually encourage probing these concerns. Most of us are much too busy, but we are poorer because of it.

Agnostics are not necessarily athe-

ists. Agnosticism is a stance of not knowing about God, of not being much occupied with those particular

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questions. The retreat is a time for conversation about what does occupy us: basic trust, fears we all share and won't admit, the importance of a sense of humor, how to change the world and so forth. We try to stay at the level of our own experience, interest, and practice. There are no prepared formal talks, although participants should consider why they chose the Agnostics' Retreat. Those interested should call Campus Ministry at ext. 2838.

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## OPINION

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important stuff...**Jacqueline Durett**  
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Business Managers**A Brand New Year ... the Same Old Problems**

What, no apocalypsc, no major Y2K problems, or widespread panie? We at *The Greyhound* promised to return if the earth did not self-destruct with the entrance of the New Year, and we hope that everyone had fun and safe holiday celebrations. Happy New Year!

Unfortunately, this New Year is beginning on a somber note. A recent dorm fire at Seton Hall University claimed the lives of three students, and the College community remembered the tragedy this past Friday with a day of prayer. But what also should be remembered is that if a fire could claim lives at one university, it could happen at any university. *Even at Loyola.*

Time and time again, false fire alarms are pulled and some even tampered with in the residence halls. Sometimes they are so frequent that students do not leave the dorms, especially when a false alarm sounds late at night. During December, a student or students pulled the fire alarms on such a frequent basis in Guilford Towers that people expected them during the early hours of the morning.

As Dr. Susan Donovan, Vice President for Student Development, stated in a recent campus-wide e-mail, "false alarms and other tampering with the alarm system have occurred on our campus, and could lead to unintended and perhaps tragic consequences." For those who tamper with or set off the false alarms, stop immediately. The systems are put in place to save lives, and are neither toys nor meant as a means of playing a practical joke.

**This is your brain... now use it***Why students' education goes beyond the classroom*

Because I had been feeling out of touch with the world beyond Loyola, I began to watch the eleven o'clock news each night while I was home for Christmas break. However,

Colleen Hughes

Staff Writer

that habit was broken soon after I realized that the lead story for several consecutive nights focused on the origin of a half of a brain that was found in a Philadelphia sewage plant. Police speculated that the brain was flushed down a toilet, but they were puzzled as to the whereabouts of the hollow head to which it belonged. After listening to the gory details of the brain's gooey mass and watching photographs of possible victims of this organ excavation flash

across the screen, I wondered if perhaps I should have chosen to remain ignorant.

If this disgusting crime had occurred while I was still here at school, I doubt I would have been aware of it. Ironically, although I learn much in my classes, I am generally oblivious to what is happening outside of campus. I try to justify my lack of awareness by claiming that I am too busy paging through philosophy and history books to find time to absorb events actually occurring in the real world, but I realize this is a weak excuse. I suppose it could appear that I am

an apathetic and self-absorbed person who does not feel the need to bother with such worldly events as murders, economic shifts, and political issues. While I am genuinely interested in issues such as these, my downfall is laziness.

I wonder if there are other students like me -- those who constantly remind themselves that they really should pick up a newspaper at the bookstore on the way home from class and turn on the news instead of reruns. I am not excusing my laziness. But instead of scolding myself, perhaps I should estab-

not to provide evidence of a colossal population of people who believe that freakish fiction stories are more important than wars, famines, and natural disasters. Instead, this example is meant to remind us that issues which are described as "important" and "relevant" are determined purely subjectively and therefore interpreted in many ways. But I admit that I have been tempted by the outlandish tabloid headlines -- simply because I can laugh at their absurdities. Perhaps that person who eagerly grabs copies of the *National Enquirer* and *Star* in the checkout line simply wants to escape from the heaviness of reality.

Because attempting to duck from the truth is neither practical nor intelligent, I do not blame my ignorance on this idea. I do not purposely

avoid current events, but I realize that not everyone who is ignorant of them is guilty of my slothful ways. Through my bedroom window, I constantly hear ambulance and police sirens on Charles Street, but I usually grumble about how they are keeping me awake instead of contemplating the emergency that those sirens are signaling. But now, in an attempt to heighten my sense of awareness, I think that it is time to emerge from my fog and find out exactly what those sirens were racing towards. Besides, I want to make sure that my brain is not found in a sewer system.

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lish lenient goals and first separate what is really important news from what is simply extraneous hype. When I worked as a cashier in a grocery store a few years ago, I often noted the number of tabloids that were sold compared to the number of newspapers and magazines that did not run headlines like "Cow in Iowa Gives Birth to Vampire Boy" on their front pages. Not surprisingly, the blood-thirsty offspring of the mid-western mammal attracted nearly the same amount of consumers as a paper that featured a newly passed piece of legislature.

The purpose of this example is

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## OPINION

## From the Far Side

by George Convery

January 1, 2000, came and went. Woopededoo! After years of hype and billions of dollars, the clock rolled over and, like every other January 1, we began a new year. The world didn't collapse. The stock market didn't crash, nor did any planes, and the only computer I know that's on the fritz is my mother's home computer, which I'm pretty sure has nothing to do with Y2K. Then, on New Year's Day, there were two other minor glitches -- one was in a nuclear power plant in Tokyo and the other occurred in the Pentagon. If there were two things I would have made sure worked, it wouldn't have been cell phones and pocket organizers; it would have been nuclear reactors and our country's national defense. But, hey, that's just me.

I almost wish that something had happened so that we would have had an excuse for all of the hype and all of the money we spent. At least then we could say, "Hey, look what would have happened if we didn't spend all this money." Now, I didn't want anyone to die or for some terror-

ist to blow up Times Square. That's ridiculous. But it would have been nice if the computer system at some middle school somewhere in the Midwest had just completely crashed or maybe some empty granary had been blown about 800 feet in the air. But no such luck.

The year continued as any other. Boston news reported that the first baby of the new millennium was born at 12:01 a.m., January 1, 2000, the second of two twins. The first was born at 11:57 p.m., December 31, 1999. The first murder of the new millennium occurred at 12:00:30 a.m. Thirty seconds after the ball dropped, someone decided that was a long enough celebration and they could go ahead and end another human being's life. Nothing's changed.

I celebrated New Year's Eve in Brookline, MA, with some friends and friends of friends. Being of age, we all got a good buzz on and a little after 11:00 p.m. we took the T into the city. The T is Boston's version of a subway -- not as accessible as New York's and Chicago's transportation system, but a hell of a lot more convenient than Baltimore's Light Rail. The T ride was a festival of drunken revelry. We were packed in like sardines

and people were drinking beer, punch, and champagne, but no one said anything about the alcohol. What we did hear were the many chants of "BC sucks", "Let's go Mets," and the various sing-a-longs to Poison, Bon Jovi, and of course the Righteous Brothers' "You've Lost that Loving Feeling." Although we sang that at least five times, we didn't finish the first verse once. The trip into Boston was a blast. The trip home was quite different.

At 12:05 a.m., the Boston Commons was already clearing out. The diving and sliding across the frozen pond many people participated in on the way to the Commons was replaced on the way home by gingerly walking in the hopes of not falling on ones inebriated rump. The T ride home was just as packed, but there were no songs or chants. The only shouts occurred when a girl threw up near the back of the car, and again when she

lennium, much like the Yankees were dubbed the last champions of the millennium. And every other thing that happens this year will be its first occurrence of the new millennium. But in five years, will anyone really care that Jamie Foxx hosted the first Saturday Night Live of the new millennium? I don't think so.

In 25 years, excited kids may say, "Wow, you were around when they celebrated the new millennium." And by then, people will already have romanticized it, saying how it was the greatest year ever. To me it was just another year that didn't make a whole hell of a lot of difference to the evolution of our civilization. A number doesn't make a year important, no matter how much money you spend on fireworks or glamming it up. You'll never know how important something is until many years later. If you want to talk about an important year, look

back to 1969 or to 1944 or to 1776. Those were years that changed the course of history. When Neil Armstrong first stepped on the moon or when JFK was shot, we all got a little bit

older.

I can't even contemplate the millennium, but what will I remember when people ask me about 1999? I won a small playwriting contest. A bunch of my friends graduated, making my world a little bit smaller. My cousin got married. The Knicks went to the NBA finals for the second time in five years. The Mets made the playoffs for the first time in nine years. Despite the fact that they were deceased, Tupac and Biggie were both nominated for MTV music awards . . . again. It became legal for me to consume alcohol. About a billion people told me that the millennium still wouldn't start for another year. I got to sing "Kung Fu Fighting" in front of a crowd of over 500 people. Completely unrelated to that, my band performed for the first time. I dressed up like Cher and sang my first musical solo since I've been in college. Please burn any pictures you may have. I got to know some terrific people and went to some fantastic parties, one of which happened to be on January 31. For the first time, I drank in a moving vehicle, although it was not the first time I sang Poison in a moving vehicle. And we're all still here, so, I hope, it won't be the last.

## Letters to the Editor

Editor:

York Road. Student apathy. Alcohol poisoning. Binge drinking. Assault. Vandalism. Disrespect. Police raids.

These terms have plagued my conversations with both students and administrators over the past year, since I first began working as Assistant Director of Student Activities at Loyola College. I'm tired of these terms, and whenever I hear them, I cringe ... my heart aches! You see, I'm not only a concerned administrator at Loyola College, but also a graduate, Class of '93 (Bachelor's Degree) and Class of '95 (Master's Degree).

My sister and husband are also graduates, and my husband is currently a MBA student at Loyola. My husband and I are actively involved in a group called Catholic Alumni Serving the Community (C.A.S.C.), along with many Loyola Alumni members. In a nutshell ... I love this place! I believe in its Mission: "Loyola College in Maryland is a Catholic comprehensive university, in the educational and spiritual traditions of the Society of Jesus and the Religious Sisters of Mercy, dedicated to the ideals of liberal education and the practice of cura personalis (care for the whole person). Loyola College in Maryland will challenge students to learn, lead, and serve in a diverse and changing world." Since returning to my alma mater, however, six years following my own undergraduate experience here, I have noticed some rather significant changes, such as a marked decrease in student attendance at some College events, and school spirit.

I remember the days when the Christmas Dance, a special Loyola tradition, gathered 1200 students, while in recent years, only 200 students. Ted Kennedy Jr. spoke words to inspire and only 60 students were there to hear him. State of the College Address ... hmmm. These are just a few examples. Where is everyone? York Road? Please prove me wrong on future events! I have also witnessed the deterioration of certain traditions, such as the Powder Puff tradition. The behavior associated with this event, for some students, has become nasty, vulgar, and drunken. Trust me, I speak from experience. After witnessing what Powder Puff had become, I attended the Talent Showcase, somewhat purposefully, so I could allow myself the opportunity to go from seeing the worst in some students, to the best in some students. Some may think my own perspective as an administrator has become jaded as I view these events through administrator's eyes, and not student's eyes, but I don't think so. My plea to students: show me your excitement, energy, initiative, and enthusiasm for positive, thought-provoking, community-building, and fun events

that are not mean-spirited or drunken! Get involved, make a positive difference in the lives of others, reach out to others, say "hello" to a stranger on campus! Try an alternative to the bar scene, like so many students are already doing, and stay safe. Make healthy choices. Why? Because, at the risk of sounding trite, this is not a dress rehearsal ... this is your life.

Initium Week. Freshmen Orientation. Concerts. Step Dancing Club. Poetry Society. Coffee House. Writer's Workshop. Peer Education. Plays. Spirit Week. Loyola Alumni and Students for Responsible Business. Presence for Christmas. Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. Project Mexico. Spring Break Outreach. Retreats. Outdoor Adventure Experience. House Programs. Earth Consciousness.

Students for a Free Tibet. Club Sports. Pocket Billiards Club. Madrigals a capella singing group. Gospel Choir. WOMENS Group. Campus Week of Dialogue. Tip-Off 2000. RAC Week. Christmas Dance.

These are just some of the student events, initiatives, and new student organizations that stand out to me as truly representing Loyola spirit! That list could go on ... I leave no one out intentionally. They are about community, raising awareness and opportunities for valuable conversations where learning can take place, about friendship, about fun! About making memories! About making a difference in someone else's life. They are about the fullness and possibilities of the Loyola experience. I thank students who have been involved in any of these things, and challenge all students to get involved or stay involved in the positive aspects of Loyola's culture. Please come to the Office of Student Activities with your ideas for new clubs/organizations, and programs, or visit other offices on campus where you can get involved. Please come with energy, enthusiasm, initiative, vision ... I promise you ... you'll be thankful for the rest of your lives.

Dana Dalton  
Assistant Director, Student Activities

Editor:

The staff of the Records Office would like to thank you for your kind words and endorsement of our service to the College community. It is a pleasure working with the Loyola community and our goal to continue providing quality service that meets your needs. Thank you again for your appreciation of our service and please feel free to contact us in the future with your comments or suggestions for improved service. Good luck with your exams and enjoy the holidays.

Rita Steiner  
Director of Records  
Records Office Staff



## FEATURES

## NO LIMITS

By:  
**Mike  
Cuomo**



photo by Maureen Traverse

The last time I wrote one of these things, I hyped up Jim Carrey's new flick, *Man on the Moon*. Many of you told me that you thought it was marvelous. I agree.

However, a few of you have tracked me down to tell me that it was terrible (one guy even called it a total waste of \$8 bucks). For you, my friend, I have only two words: bite me.

Now that I've cleared up that little conflict of interest, let's begin the new semester with a welcome back of sorts: a warped, yet truthful account of my actions and observations during the first week back.

Upon returning to Loyola's campus, suddenly everyone that I've ever seen before wanted to know what I did during the break. Even people that I haven't seen before were envious. At first, I thought that maybe I was the coolest guy around or something, but then I watched as others were asked the same question over and over. But I was a good sport about it. I told them how I streaked a convent, almost drowned in a waterbed, and how I licked Cindy Crawford's mole. Hey, so what if it was a cardboard cutout -- it's still Cindy Crawford.

But I guess I should be flattered, considering how great everyone looks sporting the hippest, new winter threads that the shops have to offer. Pea coats, wool sweaters, khaki pants -- what could be better? And I haven't even mentioned the girls. Pea coats, wool sweaters, flared jeans -- what could be better? See a pattern here?

Oh wait, I almost forgot about

order was processing. Now that is good stuff.

For the first time, two of my classes are in the Humanities Building and I am very upset. You might think that I would know my way around that building by now, but I still manage to walk around in circles like a punch-drunk gerbil. For example, my history class is located on the bottom floor in room T15. It took me fifteen minutes to find the room, after I initially waited for class to begin in an elevator machine room, otherwise known as T16 (I swear it said T15 on the door).

Once I finally entered the room, I considered going back to the elevator machine room. Apparently, the heat doesn't work, so my history class might as well be held outdoors. I guess all of the efforts to get Sellinger Hall running smoothly outweigh providing heat in history classrooms. But I shouldn't complain too much or someone will see to it that the

room is heated extremely well -- in April!

Things seem to be the same at Primo's these days, except for the fact that the penny-pinching food generals have sabotaged the salad bar. Instead of building your own salad for a set price, each salad will be weighed and priced individually.

Because of this injustice, I must abandon my New Year's resolution of becoming a strict vegetarian. Instead, I will continue to devour hamburgers and cheese steak subs, until I keel over and die in a pool of sticky grease. Actually, my New Year's resolution was to stop writing these thoughtless articles, but I just can't seem to stop. It must be a gift from God.

So what was your New Year's resolution? Stop smoking. Start talking to strangers. Stop biting your nails. Start exercising more. Stop stealing food from Primo's. Start taking advantage of your educational opportunities in col-

lege. Stop wasting time reading this column. Maybe you didn't even have a resolution. Maybe you think that your life is so perfect that you don't need to change a thing. Well, aren't you just the modern-day Albert Einstein.

My true resolution was to do something for the first time that absolutely freaks me out. So I decided to enroll in a meditation class. I'm not too sure what to expect, but hopefully by the end I'll understand "the real me," and maybe I'll even be able to float across campus from class to class. Wouldn't that be funky!

I urge all of you to do something new this semester. Buy pink pants and wear them with pride. Shave your head and rename yourself Ralph. Streak the quad at noon (somebody's got to do it before the year's over). Whatever you decide to do, just make sure you learn how to float across campus at some point in your college life. I hear there's nothing like it.

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## FEATURES

## LINER NOTES

by Chris Hamilton

Best  
of  
1999

As we now experience the first months of the much anticipated year 2000, it's time to look back on all the bad, bad music of the last year. Yes, I too was praying for terrorists to blow up Times Square, killing 'N Sync, Mandy Moore, Limp Bizkit, or whatever other worthless groups I didn't watch on MTV or Dick Clark's "Rockin'" Eve. There was a lot of garbage that we had to put up with this year. Unfortunately, our society was still plagued with the cultural phenomenon that is the Backstreet Boys, and said other rip-off bands, which each sold 3-10 million records a pop (with The Backstreet Boys' *Millennium* at the head of the pack, selling over 11 million copies -- the biggest selling album of the year).

Also this year, we had the pleasure of dealing with their female counterparts, i.e. Britney Spears,

Christina Aguilera and Jessica Simpson, giving us a good use for the mute button on our remotes. Last year also featured the birth of the "Vida Loca," and only God knows why, of Kid Rock, who can barely form a sentence, let alone a decent song. As with most years, however, there were a few not-completely-worthless albums released .... OK, so here are the 10 albums that I think are the best:

**10 - Ol' Dirty Bastard - *N\*\*\*A Please*** (Elektra/Asylum)

C'mon! How can you not like ODB? OK, granted a lot of his lyrics could be construed as offensive to women, whites, ugly people, Christians, blacks ... actually most members of the human race. But seriously, ODB has continually proven himself as an innovative

performer, and his second solo record is as honest and hard-hitting as the rest of his work. From the catchy "Got Your Money," to the melodic cover of Billie Holiday's "Good Morning Heartache," to the ludicrous cover of Rick James' "Cold-Blooded," the album is through and through solid, making it not only one of the best Wu-Tang releases of 1999, but one of the best hip-hop releases of the year as well.

**9 - Magnetic Fields - *69 Love Songs*** (Merge)

Originally, Boston's Magnetic Fields (a.k.a. Steven Merritt) released this album in three separate volumes, before Merge decided to compile the records into one boxed set. The album joins minimalism and melodic pop in the form of 69 quirky, pretty, bizarre, yet thoroughly entertaining songs. From the harmonic vocals of the opening "Absolutely Cuckoo," to the accordion-laden "Zebra," the album comes full-circle through a land of lo-fi indie pop goodness. Merritt's frustration, happiness, heartache, grief, anger, bliss, and irony are all effectively explored throughout the three discs to an unparalleled level, especially for this genre. These three discs are clearly three of the best that 1999 had to offer.

**8 - TLC - *Fanmail*** (La Face)

Innovative in themes and content, T-Boz, Chilli and Left Eye have again released a stellar hip-hop/R&B album. Five years after

*Crazysexycool*, *Fanmail* is not only good, but perhaps TLC's best. While addressing issues such as honesty ("Dear Lie"), individuality ("My Life"), and social stereotypical norms ("Unpretty"), they have compiled an interesting record full of captivating songs. Though some of the beats do not stray far from R&B counterparts (Mary J. Blige, Brandy, Monica), the songs each have their own distinctive flavor. No surprise that the Grammys nominated them for album of the year.

**7 - Eminem - *The Slim Shady LP*** (Interscope)

Everybody hates Eminem. Maybe it's because he's a white man in a predominantly black art form. Maybe it's because his tongue-in-cheek, offensive rap style really irks the music community. Or maybe it's because he looks like a guy that would pick a fight with you at a local bar. For whatever the reason, you can't deny that his voice is something completely new to the rap community at large, and *The Slim Shady LP* does an excellent job of bringing that voice to the mainstream.

**6 - Arling & Cameron - *All In*** (Emperor Norton)

OK, so you've never heard of them. Your loss. The fact is that Amsterdam-based Arling & Cameron is one of the best, most underrated electronica acts to burst on the scene in 1999. As the critics goaded and gaaed over albums by Moby and Basement Jaxx, Arling & Cameron was left in the dust. *All In* combines the goofiness of Fatboy Slim and Apollo 440 with the lounge melodies of Ivy and Pizzicato 5. Definitely your money's worth.

**5 - Ben Folds Five - *The Unauthorized Biography of Reinhold Messner*** (Sony)

Yeah, this is the band that played at our school. Although that whole fiasco was a dismal failure, BFF quietly put out one of the most cohesive albums of 1999. With "Army" barely charting even on the Modern Rock charts, *Messner* did not live up to the success of *Whatever and Ever Amen*. However, the album is chock full of great tunes like the bouncy "Your Redneck Past" or the emotional "Don't Change Your Plans." If you missed them at Reitz, then you definitely want to give the new record a spin.

**4 - Nine Inch Nails - *The Fragile*** (Interscope)

Five years after *The Downward Spiral*, Trent Reznor proves that he can still make a sonic tour-de-force. Unfortunately, poor singles ("Into the Void" peaked at number 11 on *Billboard's* Modern Rock charts, "We're in This Together" didn't break top 15, and "Starl\*\*ers, Inc." didn't break top 20) and a poor touring schedule (NIN started their world tour in Europe, and won't hit the U.S. un-

til spring 2000) have made critics doubt if Trent Reznor can actually sell albums (*The Fragile* has gone double platinum, less than anticipated by Interscope). Overall, however, *The Fragile* is a masterful album with some of the most innovative sounds of the year. Two Grammy nominations aren't too shabby for the 34-year-old Reznor, and the more people hear the double-disc LP, the more it'll become apparent that *The Fragile* is truly a treasure.

**3 - Rage Against The Machine - *The Battle of Los Angeles*** (Sony)

As "heavy" music became more and more mainstream in 1999 (Kid Rock, Limp Bizkit, Korn, Godsmack, Powerman 5000, et al.), Rage Against The Machine still stood out as the leader among the cheap imitations. Produced by Brendan O'Brien (who ironically enough was also involved in Korn's *Follow the Leader* and Limp Bizkit's *Significant Other*), the album is a continual onslaught of howling guitars and vocal artillery. Lyrically, the album does not fall short of RATM's previous two releases. Musically, Morello's guitar still has the uniqueness of "Bombtrack" and "Killing in the Name," and Wilk and Timmy C. make a strong rhythm section. From "Testify" to "War Within a Breath," *The Battle of Los Angeles* is one of the best rock albums of the year.

**2 - XTC - *Apple Venus, Pt. 1*** (TVT)

A lot has changed for Andy Partridge and Colin Moulding in six years. A demotion from major label to indie label TVT, for one. The near disappearance of their music into obscurity, for another. In fact, I think that XTC got more exposure in '99 from Shootyz Grove's cover of "Dear God" than from their own album of new material. The album is, in fact, quite marvelous. "Easter Theatre" has one of the best pop hooks of the year, and the lyrical cleverness of "Your Dictionary" shows us that the members XTC are far from has-beens.

**1 - Red Hot Chili Peppers - *Californication*** (Warner Bros.)

With a line-up that made them famous back in business, the Chilis were able to put the disappointment that was *One Hot Minute* behind them, and put out one of their strongest albums to date. Three excellent singles ("Scar Tissue," "Around the World," and "Otherside") are only part of the reason for the success and genius of the album. Dynamically, the album is a roller coaster, from the sparse "Porcelain," to the rowdy "I Like Dirt." The production on the album is unmistakably the work of Rick Rubin, one of the greatest producers working today, nominated for a Grammy for producer of the year for this album and Tom Petty's *Echo*. Overall, *Californication* delivers in terms of overall sound, great songs, and an excellent performance, and it easily, in my opinion, the best of 1999.

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## FEATURES

Monsters invade  
Inner Harbor bashby Tamara Peters  
Staff Writer

At 10 p.m. on New Year's Eve some strange creatures started to make their way down Pratt Street by the Inner Harbor. A huge tree with a human-like face was walking around. There were birds, dragons, and creatures from the sea. Many of these characters, over 10 feet tall, towered over the crowds. This of course, was Baltimore's first Masque Parade, part of the huge celebration to bring in the year 2000.

The theme of the parade was the four ancient elements: earth, air, fire, and water. The creators used a plethora of techniques in puppet- and mask-making to construct each unique character, designed specifically for the New Year's Parade.

I had been jealous of one of my friends who made reservations ten years ago to be at Disney World, famous for their parades, on New

Working on the same element, I decided to personify fire and do a "backpack" puppet, which allows for more options in the movement of the creature. The head sits on a pole that extends down into a halter that is worn on the shoulders and tied around the waist. A costume is sewn for the giant creature, whose hands are operated using poles that reach into the costume to the puppeteer's hands.

I had a great time with this puppet because I could make it shake hands with the little kids and even bend over them. I could really animate my character (before my muscles got tired anyway). I wanted to call my creature "Friendly Fire," but someone suggested I have her say, "I am fire woman, hear me roar!"

Since she technically belongs to the city of Baltimore, you just might hear her roar and see her, along with the other creatures, walking around at future Baltimore events.

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Year's Eve 1999. But when I got the opportunity to be in a parade reminiscent of festivals older than Walter himself, my green eye vanished. Not only was I able to play a character in costume, but I got to design and create it as well.

Ehren Fordyce, professor in the drama department here at Loyola, made the connections over the summer to give students an opportunity to participate in this event. So, for one week in September, Ehren Fordyce, the now-graduated Wesley Oakes, and I attended the Masque Making University -- or as I like to call it, Puppet U. It was actually a workshop set up at the Brokerage, across from Port Discovery.

Professional puppet makers came to give guidance and oversee the projects. The attendants included mostly local artists, theatre people, and teachers, none of whom had experience with this type of construction.

Each one of us from Loyola chose a very different structural type of puppet. Fordyce was fascinated by the idea of a sea horse. This was a challenge because he had to create his own pattern out of cardboard that would represent quite a large seahorse and also the interior structure for him to "wear it" in an easy and practical manner, without losing the outside aesthetics.

Oakes chose to work on the element of fire. He made the head of a dragon with an opening jaw. He then attached decorated fabric to the back, which would serve as the body and cover him and the three other people operating it in Chinese dragon style.

Entertainment News Bites:  
Now Y2K Compliantby Reagan Warfield  
Staff Writer

Rapper-turned-actor Tone-Loc has recorded a cover version of Gary Wright's classic '70s tune, "Dream Weaver," for use as the theme song of a new TV series that Loc also plans to star in. The Funky Cold Medina man last appeared in an episode of VH-1's *Where Are They Now?*

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Twisted Sister's not gonna take it from John Rocker. The '80s cross-dressing metal band has asked that the Atlanta Braves' relief pitcher John Rocker stop using one of its songs, "I Wanna Rock," as a means of introducing the athlete when he enters a game from the bullpen. Rocker, 25, told *Sports Illustrated* last month that he would never play for a New York team because he didn't want to ride a subway train "next to some queer with AIDS." He also said, "I'm not a very big fan of foreigners .... How the hell did they get in this country?" Twisted Sister apparently does not want to tarnish its image.

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Brendan "Encino Man" Fraser could unearth a \$12.5 million payday for a sequel to *The Mummy*.

Fraser and co-star Rachel Weisz have agreed to sign on for *The Mummy 2*, and Universal Pictures announced Wednesday that filming will start in spring with an anticipated May 2001 release. Studio officials are still anticipating word on the *Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo* sequel.

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Enjoy the funky R&B beats of potential diva Macy Gray when she rolls into the Recher Theater on Feb. 1. The Grammy nominee is up against Christina Aguilera, Kid Rock and Britney Spears in the Best New Artist category.

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Soy un perdidor: The beboppin' quirky sounds of Beck, who cut up the beats on his recent release *Midnite Vultures*, comes to the area on February 19. See the ambient groove-ster with Beth Orton when they play George Mason University's Patriot Center in Fairfax, VA.

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Eye candy Mariah Carey will be touching her "Rainbow" down in several American cities this spring on what will be the singer's first U.S. tour since 1993. So far, Carey's camp has only confirmed nine cities and has revealed that her *Rainbow* tour will kick off on Mar. 16 in

Los Angeles.

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Hawaiian authorities are still deciding whether to file charges against gangsta Whitney Houston after she was caught with half an ounce of marijuana at a Hawaiian airport last Tuesday but flew to San Francisco before police could arrive. Guess it's all part of the thug life.

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The wife of former *Home Improvement* star Tim Allen recently filed for divorce. Sources close to the story say that she just wasn't getting enough "tool time."

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*Late Show* funnyman David Letterman was discharged from the hospital Wednesday after recuperating from quintuple-bypass surgery. He joked that he was planning to "spend the weekend doing some heavy lifting and playing handball." Get well soon, Dave.

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Frank DeVöl, composer of the *Brady Bunch* theme and many other well known television and movie tunes, died recently at age 88. He is survived by three boys of his own.

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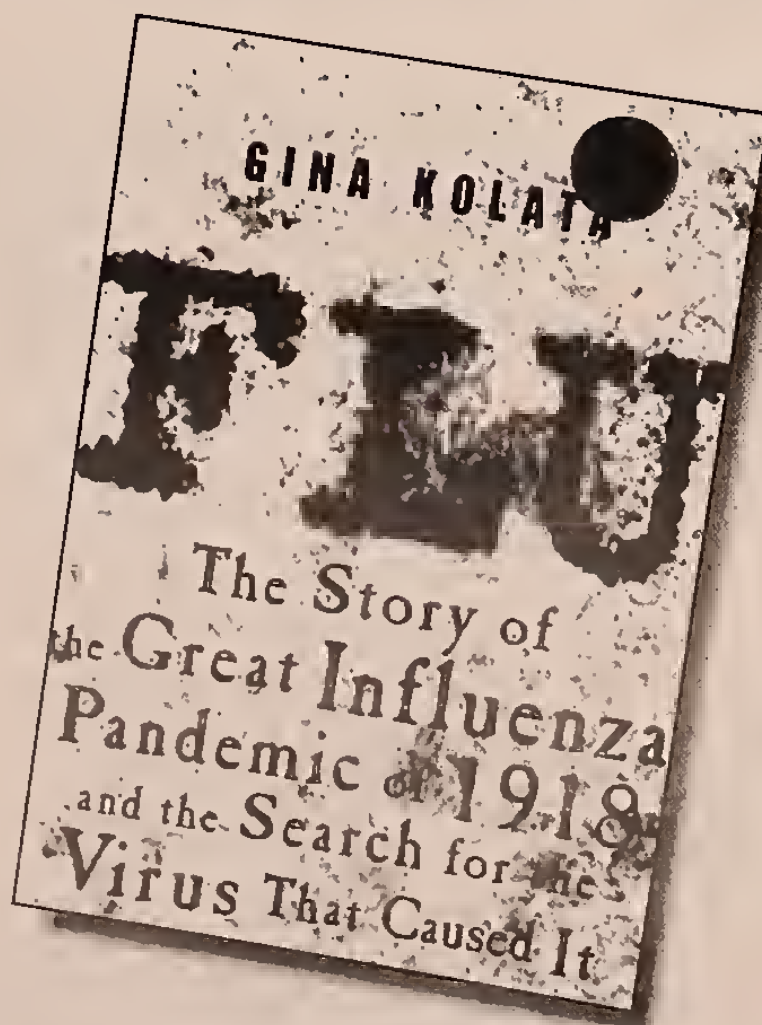
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## SPORTS

## Swim teams split with Rider

### *Squad prepares for MAACs, stretch run*

by Andrew Conrad  
Staff Writer

The Loyola men's and women's swimming and diving teams will be entering the final stretch of their season on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 21-22 as they face MAAC rivals Rider and Iona back to back.

Against Rider, Loyola's men's and women's teams split with the men recording an exciting 120-119 win and the women dropping the meet, 142-96 to the Broncos.

The men's meet came down to the final event at Mangione Pool, the 400-meter freestyle relay. However, the first-place team of freshmen Michael Hoffman, Tony Egan, Pat Evans and sophomore Gary Lavery swam a 3:50.12 and junior Tom Krajewski, freshmen Chris McNally, Tyler Furek, and J. Andrew Haskell finished in second with a 3:51.41.

They defeated Rider's only team in the race, earning 15 points and giving the Hounds a win.

Other strong performances for the Greyhounds were from freshman Dan Robinson, who won the 200-meter freestyle in 2:14.37, sophomore Jamie Barone, who hit the wall first in the 200-meter backstroke in 2:15.04 and sophomore Erik Clinton, who finished



Members of the swim team get ready to face their Rider competitors at Mangione Pool. photo by Lauren Shufren

first in the three-meter diving competition. Loyola also claimed the top two spots in the 400-meter medley relay.

For the women's squad, sophomore diver Sarah O'Donnell and junior freestyle swimmer Brianna Hawkins were the top performers. O'Donnell took second place in the one and three-meter events. Hawkins also finished second in the 400 and 800-meter freestyle events.

Both Rider and Iona are fellow members of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, so the significance of these meets cannot be overemphasized. Wins over these two schools could give the Loyola swimming and diving teams the momentum needed to place high at the MAAC Championships in mid-February.

Information about Rider meet provided by Sports Information.

## Loyola faces 10 MAAC foes to close regular season

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game with a career-high 14 points, and Rath added a season-high 18 points.

"Our coaching staff was really behind us," said Cohen, on the game against St. Peter's. "We could have won the game; it was in our grasp."

For the Greyhounds to improve over the remainder of the season, they will need more offensive production. Loyola is shooting slightly under 40 percent from the field, while averaging 57.8 points per game. The Hounds' opponents are scoring nearly 62 points per game.

"We have been depending on our defense too much," said Anderson. "We have to be able to score and need a more balanced scoring attack."

In other MAAC action this week, the Hounds handily defeated the Siena Saints, 62-51, on Jan. 22 at Reitz Arena.

Loyola picked up their play offensively.

shooting nearly 46 percent from the field. Smith led a balanced Greyhound attack with 12 points while shooting 4-8 from the field and 4-5 from the line. Junior center Sherika Wilson contributed as well with 10 points in 14 minutes of play.

The Hounds opened up an early 13-point lead after three consecutive hoops from Smith, Bongard and Slater at the 9:12 mark in the first half. The lead grew to as large as 20 after Peterkin stole the ball and raced the length of the court for a lay-up.

The second half saw Siena attempt to mount a comeback, but Loyola would not falter. Bronwyn Tobin scored six straight points to draw the Saints to within seven, but that was as close as they would come.

Siena was unable to make the big stop and were forced to start fouling in the closing minutes of play.

## Loyola men's lacrosse ranked seventh in preseason poll

After going 12-1 a season ago, Loyola starts the 2000 season ranked seventh in the Faceoff preseason poll. The defending national champion Virginia Cavaliers are ranked first, followed by Syracuse, Johns Hopkins, Princeton, Duke and Georgetown.

Dave Cottle will begin his 18th season as head coach of Loyola when his Greyhounds travel to Delaware on Feb. 26. The Greyhounds will face a demanding schedule in their quest for a national champion-

ship, opposing six teams that played in the NCAA tournament. Key home games are against Duke on March 11 and Johns Hopkins on May 6.

Back to lead the offense will be seniors Tim Goettlemann, Peter Haas and Mike Battista. They will have to replace the scoring exploits of Tim O'Shea, Mark Frye and Gewas Schindler.

Junior Dave Metz returns to lead the defense after garnering Third-Team All-American honors last season.

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# Gutsy Greyhounds end losing ways, shock Siena 71-63

## An undermanned Loyola squad hopes emotional victory provides lift they need

by Jeff Zrebiec  
Sports Editor

Days before the Friday night tip-off at Reitz Arena, Coach Dino Gaudio called his team's match-up with Siena, who came into the game with an unblemished 6-0 conference mark along with a five-game winning streak, a "great opportunity." Sophomore point guard Damien Jenifer said a win could start a Greyhound "turn-around."

Playing as if it was a must-win game, a gutsy and undermanned Greyhound squad overwhelmed its MAAC counterpart, dropping Siena 71-63. The win put an end to Loyola's frustrating four-game losing skid, and upped their mark to 6-10, 3-5 in the conference.

There was a lot to talk about after Loyola's impressive win. You could talk about the play of senior sharpshooter Jerome Adams (15 points), who came off the bench and turned a tie game into a big Loyola lead on the strength of four second half three-pointers.

You could also talk about the consistent if not spectacular play of senior Blanchard Hurd, who had 18 points and nine rebounds. Not far down the list was the play of junior guard Brant Mack. With Jenifer saddled with foul trouble and senior guard Jason Rowe still

suspended for violating the school's academic policy, Mack ran the Greyhound offense smoothly, dropping in five points.

And no Loyola win would be complete without discussing the defensive effort of junior Brian Carroll (8 points, 4 blocks) and the rest of his team. Loyola held Siena, who has four players who average in double-digits, to 63 points. They also limited renowned Greyhound killer Marcus Faison to four points, 13 below his average, and senior Corey Osinski to five points, nine below his average.

In a game that matched teams heading in two different directions, Loyola showed they had not quit in the opening half. The Saints buried three straight threes, two by junior guard Isaiah Stewart (17 points) and one by sophomore Dwayne Archbold (11 points) to give them a 22-14 lead with seven minutes remaining in the half.

Loyola had the answer and it came via the long range shooting of sophomore Anthony Walker (9 points). Walker drilled two three-pointers to tie the game at 29. A Saints bucket gave them a 31-29 lead at half.

The second half saw the Hounds jump on the Saints immediately. A Hurd three-point play gave Loyola the lead at 32-31. After Stewart drilled two straight

three-pointers, Adams stepped up and delivered. His first three gave Loyola a 44-38 lead and his second put the Hounds ahead by nine. After two more three-pointers, Adams had Loyola up 58-44 with six and a half minutes to go and had put the finishing touches on a 16-2 Loyola run.

Siena inched away at the Greyhound lead, cutting it to five with a minute to go. But Loyola broke a trend that has plagued them of late. They hit their foul shots, going 9-13 from the line down the stretch. Carroll and Jenifer (12 points) put the game away, hitting several foul shots down the stretch and giving Loyola hope that their foul shooting and turn-over woes may be over.

"It's pretty disturbing 'cause we spend a lot of time on free throw shooting," said Gaudio. "We are last at the line in free throw shooting in the MAAC. We have four starters shooting less than 54 percent."

The free throw shooting problem is reminiscent of the team's problems last year, but it is hardly the only similarity between the two seasons. Both seasons started out with Battle of Baltimore titles and were followed by prolonged Loyola losing streaks. Last year, after losing seven in a row around the midpoint of the



Senior Jerome Adams' three-point shooting was the catalyst for Loyola's second half run that helped sink Siena.

photo by Maureen Traverse

season, Loyola recovered to win seven of their next nine. Gaudio hopes that the Siena win will start a similar run. "We feel we are just a game away from winning seven of our next nine. We just have to find ourselves," said Gaudio.

"It [last season's run] gives us something to look back on to show we can do it," Jenifer said.

If the Greyhounds have come together, they have done it without two important players. Sophomore Clifford Strong was lost for the whole season because of a leg injury he sustained in a December game. Perhaps the biggest blow

was the suspension of Rowe.

"We are still trying to find our identity without Jason," Gaudio said. "We are a little bit short-handed. But, it is a chance for other guys who haven't had the opportunity to step up."

"It hurt us in a lot of aspects, especially scoring-wise," Jenifer said. "Losing him, we lost maturity and a leader."

However with Rowe, the school's fourth all-time leader in scoring, suspended indefinitely, Loyola continues to practice hard in an attempt to get back on the winning track.

# Loyola names Mark Mettrick head men's soccer coach

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what they are going through because I've done it," Mettrick said.

The ability to communicate with players will become even more important, considering the difficult transition players will have to make. "Over time, I am very confident that the players will get to know me and enjoy playing here," Mettrick said.

"I think it will be a very smooth transition," Ridley said. "Coach Sento was an outstanding person who tended to recruit outstanding student athletes. I think that the players will be ready to move on."

Bill Wnek, who served as interim head coach after Sento was let go, will stay on to assist Mettrick.

"I can't say enough about the job Bill Wnek has done. He's done the best job I've ever seen in all my years in a transition situation," Boylan said.

Mettrick also directs the Mark Mettrick Professional Soccer

School in Maryland, which allows him to see state college prospects. Boylan said, "It is important for someone to have knowledge of the Maryland and Washington area. Mark has that."

"At Mount St. Mary's, we had our fingers on the pulse of the recruiting scene in Maryland," Mettrick said. "Loyola provides an opportunity to get a high-level player because of the reputation of the school and of the soccer program."

One of Mettrick's main challenges will be recruiting. He just assumed the head coaching posi-

tion this past week, leaving him only about two weeks before the signing day of prospective players starts on Feb. 1.

"We are a little bit behind, but in the long run, we will have an

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extensive recruiting strategy."

While recruiting and the transition to Loyola remain Mettrick's immediate challenge, his long-term challenge and goal re-

mains clear.

"We wanted somebody who could take the program and get us back to one which competes with

the top programs nationally. The big challenge is to take this team and go further than we did last year," Boylan said.

Last year's squad had an impressive 13-6-2 season and won the regular-season MAAC crown, but eventually suffered a heartbreaking loss to Fairfield, which ended their season one game short of the NCAA Tournament.

A host of players will return on the young and talented squad, giving the first-year head coach a

lot of talent to work with.

Mettrick agreed with Boylan's comments and said, "The goal is to become a MAAC champion, receive an NCAA Tournament bid and to be a nationally-ranked team."

"I think it is something we are going to have to work towards. I'll have to determine in the spring where we are as a program. I'd like to reach our goals immediately, but I am realistic to understand it might take a few years."

## Loyola Sports Calendar

### Tuesday (Jan. 25)

Women's Basketball at Fairfield  
7 p.m.  
Men's Basketball vs. Stony Brook  
7:30 p.m., Reitz Arena

### Friday (Jan. 28)

Men's Basketball vs. Marist  
7:30 p.m., Reitz Arena

### Saturday (Jan. 29)

Women's Basketball at Marist  
7 p.m.  
Swimming and Diving Teams vs. Delaware  
1 p.m., Mangione Pool

### Sunday (Jan. 30)

Men's Basketball at Rider  
2 p.m.

### Monday (Jan. 31)

Women's Basketball vs. Rider  
7 p.m., Reitz Arena

## The Mark Mettrick File

### Playing Career

Baltimore Bays (Semi-Pro)  
1992-95.

Baltimore Blast (MISL)  
1988-1992.

Hartwick College 1984-88

Manchester United Reserve  
and Youth Team 1981-83.

### Honors

Northeast Conference  
Coach of the Year 1994  
and 1996.

Soccer Digest Best  
Collegiate Player 1987.

1st Team All-American  
1986-87



## Mettrick ready to take the reins of Loyola's men's soccer program

by Jeff Zrebiec  
Sports Editor

On Jan. 11, Loyola College President Harold Ridley, S.J., and Athletic Director Joseph Boylan jointly announced Mark Mettrick as the school's new head men's soccer coach. Mettrick, formerly the coach at Mount St. Mary's, replaces Bill Sento, who was let go after 20 seasons at the helm of the Greyhounds.

"This is a pretty big hire for us," said Boylan. "We have a long tradition of success. Mark has a big challenge. He felt that it was an opportunity to take a program with resources to the NCAAs."

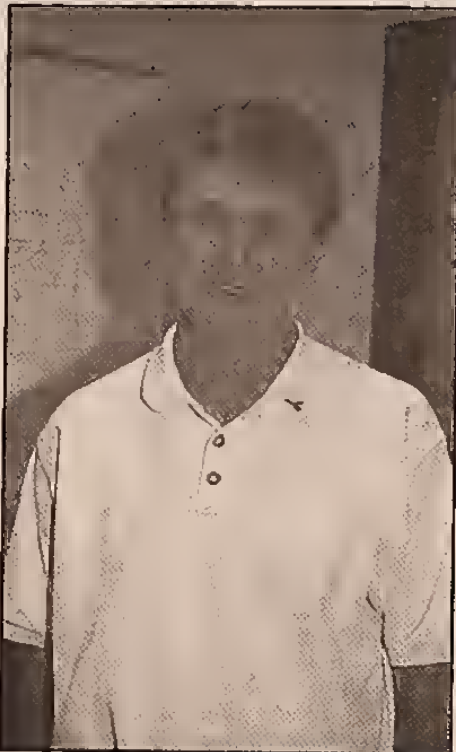
"I am very excited about the opportunity here. It is a good career move that will give me the resources to compete at a national level and that's what I'll try to do. It's nice to return to Baltimore," said Mettrick, who starred for the Baltimore Blast of the Major Indoor Soccer League from 1988-92.

The announcement came after an extensive two-month national search. According to Boylan and Ridley, five coaches were interviewed in person and another five or six over the phone.

"We knew that any of the five would get the job done," Ridley said. "We felt that Coach Mettrick would get the job done sooner."

It did not take long for Mettrick,

a native of Manchester, England, to get the job done at Mount St. Mary's. After taking the head coaching position in 1994, Mettrick guided the Mountaineers



Mark Mettrick will succeed Bill Sento as head coach of Loyola.

photo by Patrick Serengulian

to five winning seasons and two Northeast Conference Championship games. In the process, he was selected as conference Coach of the Year in 1994 and 1996.

"At Mount St. Mary's, he did a very good job with limited resources. He proved he could coach," Boylan said.

Also making Mettrick attractive

to Loyola was his impressive professional playing background. He was a member of the famed Manchester United Reserve and Youth Team from 1981-83, along with playing for the Blast from 1988-92.

"As a soccer player, I've always played at the highest levels," Mettrick said. "Certainly, I wanted to reach those standards as a coach."

Mettrick also brings with him an impressive collegiate career as a student-athlete, graduating from Hartwick College in Oneonta, NY in 1988, with a degree in physics. At Hartwick, Mettrick was a two-time Division I First-Team All-American, scoring 46 goals and totaling 109 career points, good for fifth on Hartwick's all-time scoring list.

According to Boylan, Mettrick's background as a student athlete and his ability to communicate with players was a major factor in Mettrick landing the job.

"As we looked at the candidates, one of the things that impressed us was his ability to communicate with players," Boylan said. "One of the things that we kept hearing from the players is that they wanted someone to interact with them."

"I've always enjoyed good relationships with players. Today, it is very important to be able to relate to players. I understand

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## Rowe suspended for violating school's academic policy

by Jeff Zrebiec  
Sports Editor

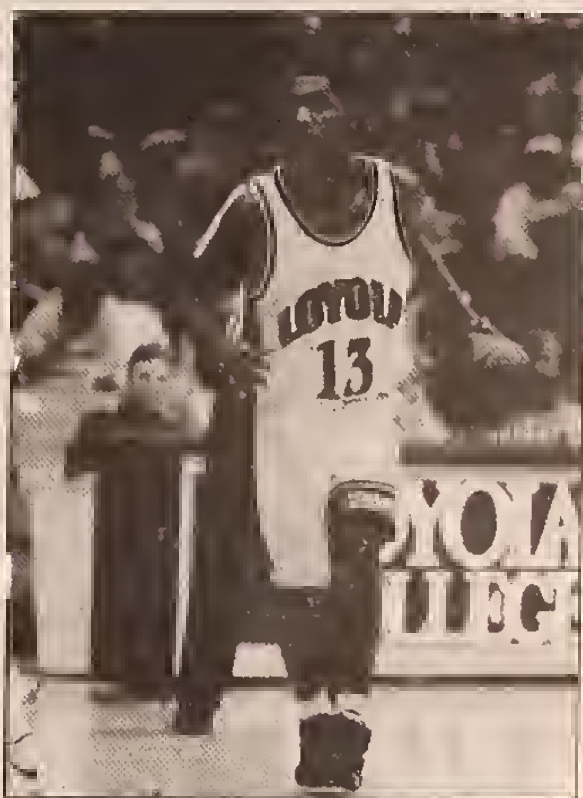
Before the men's basketball team's Jan. 13 home game against Manhattan, the school announced that they have suspended senior guard Jason Rowe for violating the college's academic policy, according to a press released issued on Jan. 14 on the Loyola College athletic web site.

Rowe, the MAAC Preseason Player of the Year, will be suspended indefinitely.

"He has been suspended for academic reasons," coach Dino Gaudio said.

According to an article published in the Jan. 14 edition of *The Baltimore Sun*, Loyola's academic board met to discuss the status of students whose grades did not meet the school's standards. The decision was made when the board met during the week of Jan. 9-15.

The senior guard leads the Greyhounds in scoring, assists and



Senior Jason Rowe has missed Loyola's last four games after being suspended for violating the school's academic policy.

photo courtesy of Sports Information

steals, averaging nearly 18 points, 5 assists and three steals. This year was to culminate a brilliant career for Rowe as he has made his mark as one of the best basketball players in Loyola history.

Rowe is in fourth place on Loyola's all-time scoring list with 1703 points. He also is the all-time steals leader at Loyola.

Without Rowe, Loyola is 1-3.

## Loyola falls to St. Peter's at buzzer, stands at 5-11 overall

### Strong finish essential for Greyhounds to qualify for MAAC Tournament

by Steven Vitlano  
Sports Editor

With a month and a half of basketball left to play, the Greyhounds are trying to overcome a slow start to their season and climb up in the conference standings. Loyola will have this opportunity for improvement since they face off against MAAC foes for the remaining 10 games of the regular season.

Loyola has a conference mark of 2-5, and currently rests in seventh place. The Hounds must finish within the top six to advance to the MAAC tournament, which is held in Albany, NY, on March 2-5.

"We are playing for seeding within our conference, and want to finish in the top six," said second-year Coach Cindy Anderson.

The Greyhounds have fallen into a recent trend of winning one game, then dropping the next,

over the past five games, going 2-3 during this inconsistent stretch. Some of this inconsistency can be attributed to experimentation with the lineup.

"We are a little inconsistent with the wins and losses," said Anderson. "We've tried a lot of different things and we switched lineups several times to see who's playing well."

Loyola has shown improvement since they fell into a December slump, where the Hounds dropped five of the six contests. Most of these losses though came against non-conference teams such as Towson, Seton Hall, St. Joseph's and Virginia.

"Certain things just weren't going our way," said junior guard Shannon Cohen. "We're playing a lot better than we did in the beginning of the season, and have

played good defense."

In the month of January, the Greyhounds have improved their play, picking up conference victories over Iona and Canisius. Loyola's win over the Gaels was in convincing fashion, 69-52, at Reitz Arena on Jan. 2. Junior forward

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ward Erica Rath (16 points) paced an all-around effort, as the Hounds dominated all facets of the game. Loyola had hot shooting coming off of the bench as well, with junior Desiree Peterkin and sophomore Laura Slater contributing nine points each, on 7-10 shooting from the field.

Senior guard Jen Bongard had

a career-high 12 rebounds, and the Hounds as a team dominated Iona on the glass by a 51-30 margin. This game marked the 10th consecutive win for the Greyhounds over their MAAC rival, dating back to the 1995-96 season.

The Greyhounds' bid to make it two in row on their home court fell short as the Fairfield Stags downed the Hounds, 59-50. Rath again led Loyola with 15 points and 10 boards, and Bongard contributed with five points and 10 rebounds. Once again, it was poor shooting from the field (29.5%) and 16 turnovers that doomed the Greyhounds.

Loyola bounced back on the road, defeating Canisius, 65-57, on Jan. 7. Peterkin led the Hounds with 15 points, while Rath and freshman forward Jennifer

Mitchell added 14 and 13, respectively. The Greyhounds weathered a run by the Golden Griffis when Peterkin buried a three-pointer after their lead had been cut to five with eight minutes to play.

On Jan. 15, the team suffered its most heartbreaking loss of the season at the buzzer to St. Peter's. Junior guard Courtney Wicks knocked down a 15-foot jumper in the lane as time expired to give the Peahens the 63-61 victory in Reitz Arena.

After freshman guard Shontrese Smith hit a pair of free throws with 5.5 seconds left, Wicks raced down the length of the court and nailed the game-winning shot. Loyola trailed by four with 37.3 seconds to play when Smith hit a short baseline jump shot. Following a St. Peter's traveling violation, Smith then drew a foul, and converted her free throws. Smith finished the

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